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TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINE SE BANG HIENG VALLEY, LAOS 1653N 10633E

(SEE NPIC BRIEFING BOARD K-7888 FOR COMPARISON)

### 1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD REVEALS A TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINE EXTENDING INTO LAOS FROM THE VIETNAM DEMILITARIZED ZONE (DMZ).

#### 2. REMARKS:

A TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINE CUT WAS OBSERVED ON MARCH 1966 PHOTOGRAPHY EXTENDING GENERALLY WEST AND SOUTHWEST FROM 1653N 10636E, 2.8 NM EAST OF THE LAOS/DMZ BORDER, TO 1653N 10632E, 1.4 NM WEST OF THE LAOS/DMZ BORDER. POLES WERE OBSERVED FROM 1653N 10636E TO 1654N 10633E, ALTHOUGH NO WIRES WERE DISCERNIBLE.

#### 3. MISSION READOUT:

REVEALS THAT THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS 25X1 LINE, WHICH GENERALLY PARALLELS AN INFILTRATION TRAIL, HAS BEEN EXTENDED. POLES ARE OBSERVED WEST OF THEIR PREVIOUSLY OBSERVED TERMINUS AT 1654N 10633E. POLES ARE NOW OBSERVED EXTENDING FROM 1653N 10633E (UTM XD657682) WITHIN THE DMZ, GENERALLY SOUTHWEST INTO LAOS TO 1653N 10631E (UTM - XD631675), 1.4 NM WEST OF THE LAOS/DMZ BORDER.

ALL POLES CONTAIN TWO INSULATORS, AND WIRES ARE INTERMITTENTLY OB-SERVED BETWEEN THE POLES. THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINE COULD NOT BE

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FURTHER WEST SINCE TREES ARE POSSIBLY BEING USED IN LIEU OF POLES, AND NO TELECOMMUNICATIONS LINE CUT IS NOTED.	ı
ALL UTM COORDINATES ARE TAKEN FROM AMS SERIES 1701, SHEET 6361 IV	25X1

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